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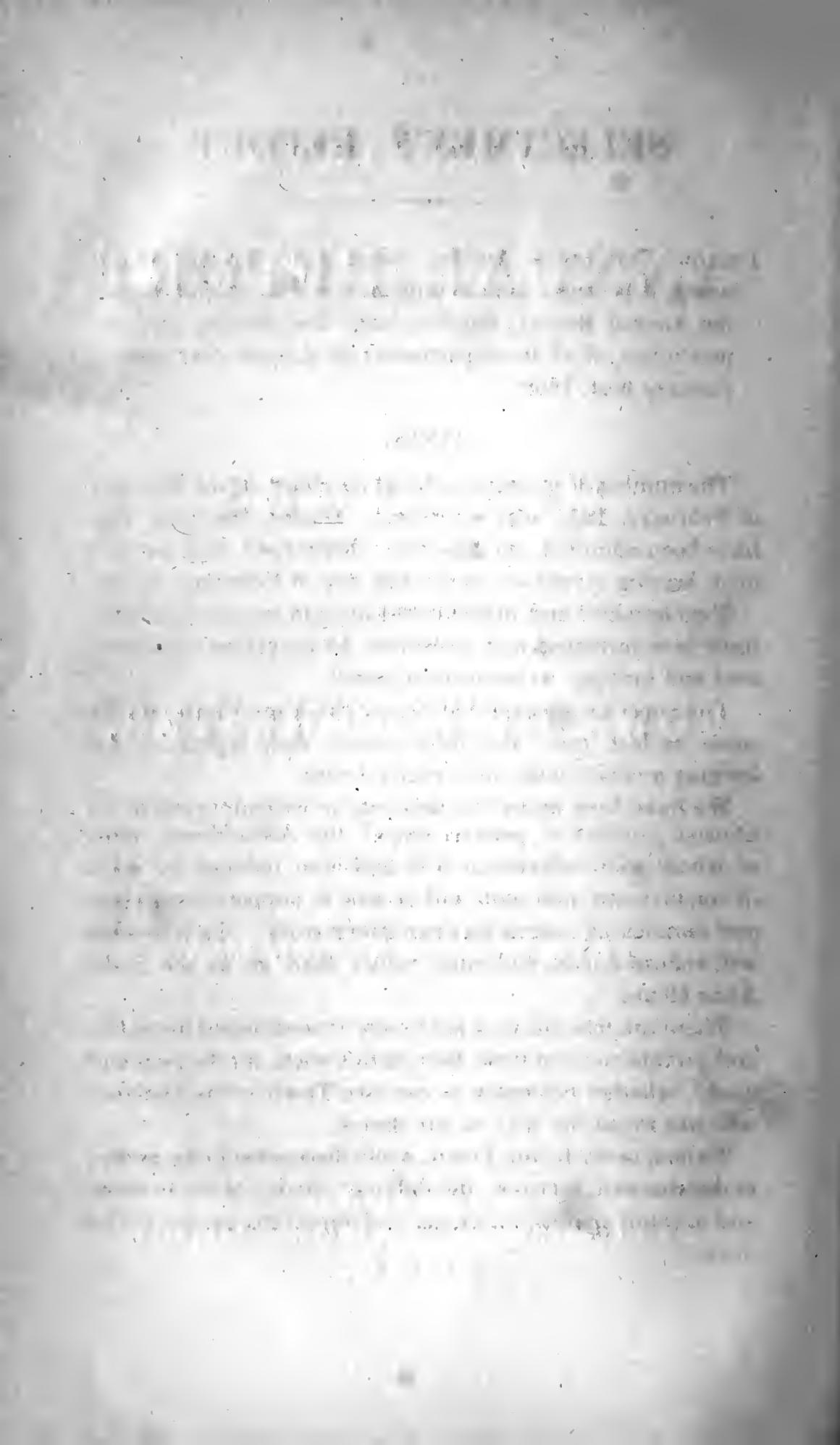
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THE
TWENTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
FINANCES
OF THE
TOWN OF DORCHESTER,
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1858.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

FELLOW CITIZENS:— Another fiscal year having terminated, it becomes our incumbent duty to submit to you the Annual Report, together with the receipts and expenditures, of all the departments for the past year, ending January 31st, 1858.

POOR.

The number of paupers in the Alms-House on the first day of February, 1857, was seventeen. During the year two have been admitted, one has been discharged, and one has died, leaving seventeen on the first day of February, 1858.

Two hundred and fifteen travelling and transient persons, have been furnished with assistance, by providing them with food and lodging, as occasion required.

The Superintendent and Matron of the Alms-House, are the same as last year, and fully sustain their reputation for keeping a comfortable and orderly house.

We have been under the necessity of extending aid to an unusual number of persons out of the Alms-House, most of whom were individuals who had been reduced by want of employment, and who will be able to support themselves and families, as soon as they can obtain work. Such persons will endure intense suffering, rather than go to the State Alms-House.

There are few places where more is contributed by public and private contributions, than in this town, for the poor and needy, whether belonging to our own Town, or the foreigner who has found the way to our shores.

To deal justly by the Town, while dispensing to the needy, to discriminate between the different grades of destitution, and to guard against unfairness and imposture, are not trivial duties.

We are now paying for the support of only two Insane Paupers, one at Taunton Asylum, and one at the Asylum in Bennington, Vermont.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Our roads and bridges have demanded much of our attention, and required large expenditures. An important item in the expenses of this department, is occasioned by the carting of heavy loads of granite over our roads, from Milton and Quincy, to Boston.

Agreeably to instructions, the entrance of Cresent Avenue has been widened, by paying one hundred and one dollars and forty cents, for land.

Through the liberality of an individual in giving land, the corner of Hancock and Cross streets, has been improved.

The Easterly part of Cottage street, has been widened, at an expense of one hundred and nine dollars and twenty cents for land; the Athenæum Company, and Barnabas Davis, waived all claim for land damages.

Tenean bridge, upon examination was found unsafe for public travel, we have therefore, had it re-planked, and thoroughly repaired, at an expense of one thousand and thirty-eight dollars, and fifty-five cents.

The President of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company, represented to us, that said Company were in debt, and not able to complete their road farther than Centre street; as the Avenue between Centre street and the Lower Mills was left in such a state by said Company, as not to be passable with vehicles, we have had said Avenue graded and repaired at an expense of eight hundred and six dollars, and fourteen cents. The hills had been lowered and partly graded by said Company, and when it shall be properly gravelled it will be in a much better condition than it was before the action of said Company. There has heen three thousand and one hundred yards of gravel carted from the Alms-

House lot, to widen the travelled part of the Dorchester Avenue, between Savin Hill Avenue and Commercial street, at an expense of nine hundred and eighteen dollars, and ninety-seven cents, including building wall against the bank at the Alms-House lot. The travelled part of said Avenue, north of Cook's Hill to the Boston line, has been widened; the Town paying half the expense, one hundred and twenty dollars, the other half being paid by individual liberality.

That portion of the Brush Hill Turnpike within the territorial limits of the Town, was assigned by the County Commissioners to our care, which we have repaired at considerable expense.

Agreeably to the vote of the Town, we have bargained with Richard Wall, to build and finish a road from the Upper Mills to West Roxbury, as laid out by the County Commissioners, for the sum of forty-five hundred dollars.

In compliance with the instructions of the County Commissioners, we, in connection with the Selectmen of Milton, have caused a bridge to be built across Neponset River, from that part of Milton called "Fairmount," to that part of Dorchester called "Hyde Park." This Town's part of the expense was seven hundred dollars and fifty cents. We have also built a stone abutment on the Dorchester side of said bridge, and a road from said bridge to River street, at a cost of five hundred and eighty-nine dollars and fifty-six cents.

The County Commissioners have widened River street, therefore the Town will be under the necessity of spending money in improving said street the present year.

The expenses of the Town for a few years past, have been very much increased by the laying out of new streets.— While every facility should be afforded for the easy and convenient transaction of business, yet it behooves us to guard even in this respect against extravagance.

A suit was brought against the Town by an individual, for damages alleged to have been sustained by him in lowering the road in front of his land on Adams street, which was settled by reference, and after a view and hearing, it was

decided that he was not entitled to any damages from the Town; still it was a source of anxiety to us, and some expense to the Town.

POLICE AND WATCH.

During the past year, in addition to the duties performed by the regular Police and Watch, a number of the citizens have been organized and done a large amount of voluntary patrol duty, thereby aiding in preventing robberies, and incendiaries.

SALE OF WOOD LAND.

By a vote of the Town at last March Meeting, we were authorized to sell the Wood Land situated near West street. Upon examining the Town's title to the land, it was ascertained that said land was given to the Inhabitants of Dorchester, for the use and benefit of the poor of the Town. Therefore we petitioned the Legislature for authority to sell said Real Estate, which was granted, provided the Town would give their bond to the Judge of Probate, to be executed for them by the Selectmen, conditioned to hold, apply, pay, and distribute the net proceeds of such sale according to law.

Having given the required bond, we sold the land to Henry Grew for eight hundred and forty-two dollars, and six cents.

CEMETERIES.

The present Cemetery Lots belonging to the Town, being mostly taken up, we would recommend that the Town take measures to purchase a tract of land for that purpose, in a retired part of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

EBENEZER EATON, E. H. R. RUGGLES, LEWIS F. PIERCE,	{	<i>Selectmen of Dorchester.</i>
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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

SCHOOLS.

In consequence of the School Committees changing the time for paying the Teacher's salaries, they have only been paid for eleven months, up to Dec. 1st, 1857

HIGH SCHOOL—*Gibson Street.*

Paid William J. Rolfe, for teaching,	\$375 00
Jonathan Kimball, " "	951 92
Mary J. Coburn, " "	125 00
Lucy E. Shepard, " "	283 33
Augusta N. Davenport, " "	196 87
Mary W. Hall, " "	96 20
W. J. Rolfe, books and stationery for desks,	3 80
" " glass ware, towels, &c., for apparatus,	8 73
" " clock,	10 13
Jonathan Kimball, books and stationery for desks,	4 20
" " furnished indigent scholars,	2 00
" " waste baskets,	1 50
" " repairs of apparatus,	5 68
I. S. Smith, man making fires, sweeping, &c.,	50 00
" " preparing wood,	2 00
C. F. Smith, arranging & labelling cabinet & library	20 00
David Clapp, printing questions for examination,	15 00
" " daily records, &c.,	20 00
Morse & Tuttle, diplomas, and book labels,	14 25
Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., blank books and stationery,	18 48
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
Thomas W. Capen, cleaning clock,	1 00
Harvey Howe, umbrella rack and repairs,	9 37
S. S. Drew, carpenter work and stock,	23 25
Amount carried forward,	\$2,242 21

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,242 21
Paid Eben Foster, carpenter work and stock,	39 00	
James T. Oliver, " " "	4 00	
J. H. Davenport, " " "	36 00	
Gardner Ewell, " " "	10 36	
Jacob Davis, mason work and stock,	13 54	
" " furnace castings, ventilator & register	34 75	
J. P. Tolman, labor on furnace, poker and shovel,	6 00	
C. P. Tolman, iron and tin pipes for furnace,	59 62	
" " repairs and stock,	21 99	
George Dodge, mason work,	94 50	
Edwin Field, repairing furnace,	3 50	
J. H. Upham & Brother, blackboard brushes,	3 00	
" " hooks, screws, spikes &c.,	10 31	
M. C. Warren, locks, latches, bolts and pipe,	8 04	
William Hall & Co., keys and knob,	73	
M. K. White, setting glass,	4 60	
G. Fowler, painting and stock,	5 14	
J. B. Graham, " " "	16 25	
H. S. Hill, repairing settees,	3 00	
Royce's Express, carting desks and chairs,	3 50	
William G. Shattuck, chairs, desks and settees,	26 18	
Mrs. Morrow, cleaning house,	3 00	
J. H. Mann, moving coal and cleaning cellar,	1 00	
Johnson & Eaton, lightning rods,	31 12	
Hardy & Co., sashes,	67	
Eben Bird, removing fence,	1 50	
C. F. Preston, for brick, lime and cement,	34 97	
J. P. Clapp, " lumber,	113 41	
William Pope, & Co., lumber,	1 10	
Jacob Bird, Jr., shingles, laths and nails,	7 10	
E. Holmes & Son, raising High School House, and moving small building,	165 00	
H. & R. Rich, labor on house,	175 00	
" " furnishing stone,	116 75	
" " " gravel,	88 81	
Jonathan Wheeler's Estate, gravel,	28 90	
Thomas Payson, gravel,	8 75	
Eben Tolman, surveying gravel,	2 75	
I. S. Smith, charcoal,	3 75	
Edward Preston, coal,	100 10	
C. F. Preston, "	9 00	
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		\$3,538 90

EVERETT SCHOOL—*Sumner Street.*

Paid Henry C. Rolfe, for teaching,	\$916	67
Jane E. Wate,	210	41
Mary W. Hall,	229	17
Ann E. Jones,	291	67
S. R. Perrigo,	54	46
C. K. Nickerson,	62	50
H. C. Rolfe, care of house and making fires,	96	00
O. Davenport, Jr., sweeping, &c.,	41	65
David Clapp, printing record of attendance & cards	16	50
Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., blank books and stationery,	5	50
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4	50
J. H. Upham & Brother, books and ink for desk,	2	57
" " thermometer, hooks,		
screws, &c.,	8	35
John E. Jones, services as truant officer,	2	50
Charles Sumner, repairing furnace,	1	00
James Worsley " clock.	1	50
J. P. Silsby, " pump and stock,	8	53
O. Davenport & Co., removing settees, and repairs,	9	25
Stephen Gulliver, setting glass,	1	00
B. C. Bird, repairing desks,	3	00
J. G. Allbright, carpenter work,	6	82
Eben Bird, " " and lead pipe,	3	25
Eben Foster, " "	2	00
J. H. Rogers & Co., block letters,	34	00
Jacob Davis, mason work and stock,	85	50
" " registers, furnace tops, elbows, &c.,	63	24
Johnson & Eaton, lightning rods,	50	00
Ebenezer Wales, stone chips for yard,	2	08
George Hill, labor and gravel for yard,	11	63
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	8	00
Patrick Cronan, preparing wood,	5	50
Amasa Pray, coal,	14	00
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	181	75
	\$2,434	50

MATHER SCHOOL—*Meeting-House Hill.*

Paid Lemuel C. Grosvenor, for teaching,	\$ 916 66
Kate L. Perrigo, "	291 67
Mary L. Kinne, "	291 67
Betsey Hooper, "	291 67
Hannah H. Pope, "	291 67
L. C. Grosvenor, books for desks, ink and crayons	6 96
" " indigent scholars,	25 86
J. H. Upham & Brother, "	1 64
H. H. Pope, books for	" "
" " cleaning windows,	75
B. Hooper, cleaning,	75
Eben'r Clapp, Jr. for blank books,	59
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer	4 50
L. C. Grosvenor, moving seats,	1 00
B. C. Bird, care of house and making fires,	149 76
" " extra work and repairs,	18 75
John E. Jones, services as truant officer,	8 00
Oliver Hall, repairs and pointers,	9 00
A. & J. H. Upham, brooms and brush,	1 13
T. W. Capen, new clock and repairing old one,	12 50
J. H. Upham & Brother, sinks,	16 50
" " mats, baskets, brushes, &c.	14 81
Chandler Fisher, lock and repairs,	2 00
E. H. R. Ruggles, desks and chairs,	164 50
M. C. Warren, weather strips and hooks,	2 75
Stacy's Express, carting,	50
Butler, Keith & Hill, pump and pipe,	14 36
J. E. Lake, plumbing and stock,	12 72
J. B. Graham, painting,	4 50
C. H. Dewey, glazing,	2 37
Eben'r Foster, carpenter work,	12 00
Hardy & Co., door,	2 00
Wm. Pope & Co., lumber, &c.	7 73
Johnson & Eaton, lightning rods,	50 00
O. Davenport & Co., scrapers, sharp'g drills, etc.	9 10
G. Fowler, grading with gravel,	9 50
Patrick Cronan, preparing wood,	5 50
Amasa Pray, " "	3 00
Connaughton & Quigly, cleaning vault,	8 00
Moses Dane, cutting stone and setting steps,	3 31
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	181 75
Amasa Pray, wood,	10 00

Amount carried forward, \$ 2,861 93

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,861 93
Paid J. J. Walworth & Co., steam heating apparatus, [bill of 1855,]		850 00
Moses Pond & Co.. soap stones and two iron casings, [bill of 1855,]		5 50
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		\$ 3,717 43

ADAMS SCHOOL—*Adams Street.*

Paid Francis B. Snow, for teaching,	\$ 282 87
L. M. Chase, "	634 61
Ann Tolman, "	291 66
R. A. Prouty, "	291 66
S. B. Perrigo, "	8 04
F. B. Snow, books and stationery for desk,	2 80
" " " indigent children,	60
L. M. Chase, " " " "	1 94
" " stationery,	2 25
F. B. Snow, repairs and cleaning,	9 67
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
Maynard & Noyes, ink,	1 25
David Clapp, printing monthly reports,	3 00
Eben Pope, making fires and sweeping,	44 00
" " extra labor,	13 25
Mary Splain, sweeping,	3 00
Gordon & Bailey, painting black boards,	1 90
Isaac Field, mugs,	34
Howland & Harding, floor brush,	1 25
Otis Baird, hods and sieve,	3 31
J. H. Upham & Brother, hooks,	12
M. C. Warren, nails and lead,	8 69
T. W. Capen, repairing clock,	1 00
J. P. Tolman, " stove,	1 12
C. P. Tolman, cleaning furnace, etc.	5 00
" " iron pipes, and castings for furnace and stoves,	24 12
S. Percival, painting and glazing,	6 45
" whitewashing inside of house,	17 70
C. H. Pierce, mason work and stock,	1 25
G. Dodge, " " "	1 25
Eben'r Fostér, carpenter work,	22 00
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Amount carried forward,	\$ 1,690 60

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 1,690 60
Paid J. C. Rich, carpenter work and stock,	19 50	
Wm. Pope & Co., lumber,	94 81	
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	6 00	
Edward Preston, coal,	87 48	
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		\$ 1,898 39

GIBSON SCHOOL—*School Street.*

Paid Robert Vose, Jr., for teaching,	666 66
L. H. Buckingham,	250 00
Mary J. Homer,	291 66
Lucy P. Tolman,	291 66
Mary E. Tolman,	291 66
R. Vose, Jr., books and stationery for teachers' desks,	4 55
" " " books for indigent scholars,	1 82
L. P. Tolman, " " "	1 15
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
Eben'r Clapp, blank books,	50
R. Vose, Jr. moving settees and cleaning,	9 12
" " printing programmes, and preparing for dedication,	11 50
R. R. Homer, labor and stock, preparing school room for exhibition,	4 00
J. B. Anderson, making fires,	20 00
R. Vose, Jr., care of house,	10 00
E. H. Wilder, " "	51 00
" " shavings and preparing wood,	5 75
Mrs. Lynch, sweeping,	13 50
J. Coffey, housing coal,	37
Henry Cunningham, cord and tassels for ventilators	2 56
J. H. Upham & Brother, sinks and mats,	38 00
" " " baskets, brushes, pails, etc.	16 40
T. W. Capen, pair steps and repairing clock,	3 00
J. D. Nichols, repairing maps and glazing,	3 62
Burnham Royce, carting from Boston, and from old to new house,	5 00
Eben Bird, taking up benches, etc.	4 00
J. H. Burt & Co., carpenter work,	1 50
Blake, Barnard & Co., wheelbarrow,	5 00
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Amount carried forward,	\$ 2,008 48

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,008 48
Paid Gardner Ewell, repairs,		37
C. P. Tolman, repairing furnace and stock,	9 27	
" " " pump, sieve, shovel, etc.	5 54	
Johnson & Eaton, lightning rods,	50 00	
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	4 00	
Preston & Flinn, coal,	66 01	
Amasa Pray, coal,	10 50	
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	188 40	

		\$ 2,342 57

WINTHROP SCHOOL—*River Street.*

Paid Isaac Swan, for teaching,	\$ 916 66
Sophia A. Clapp, " "	291 66
Sarah R. Child, " "	291 66
Mary J. Gilbert, " "	291 66
Elizabeth J. Stetson, for teaching,	291 66
Ann E. Tower, " "	260 41
Hannah C. Robinson, " "	88 85
Isaac Swan, stationery for desk,	4 65
" " books, furnished indigent scholars,	1 66
" " dippers,	60
Ebenezer Clapp, black board rubbers,	7 50
E. A. Smith, care of house,	162 17
" " extra labor and stock,	23 51
" " repairing radiators, &c.,	7 80
T. W. Capen, keys and repairing clock,	2 50
J. H. Upham & Brother, floor brushes,	4 00
J. C. Talbot, mats, dusters, brushes, &c.,	13 11
" " powder, and fuse,	2 32
E. H. R. Ruggles, repairing furniture,	20 75
George Haynes, hods,	2 22
" " labor, furnace pipe and grate,	8 34
Charles Tileston, cleaning furnace,	1 00
J. H. Burt & Co., carpenter work and stock,	8 12
Stacy's Express, carting,	5 50
Thomas Pierce, labor, elm and maple trees,	21 00
Patrick Marron, setting trees,	1 50
E. H. R. Ruggles, labor in yard,	15 00
Michael Millan, for labor,	2 50

Amount carried forward,	\$ 2,748 31

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,748 31
Paid E. W. Robinson, labor with team,	6 00	
Joseph Marshall, 2d. labor and stock plastering basement,	82 00	
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	201 73	
J. J. Walworth & Co., heating apparatus, [bill of 1855,]	300 00	

		\$ 3,338 04

NORFOLK SCHOOL—*Norfolk Street.*

Paid Elbridge G. Emery, for teaching,	\$ 916 67
Martha A. Baker, " "	291 66
Mary J. Pope, " "	291 66
E. G. Emery, ink, books and cards,	5 17
M. J. Pope, books furnished indigent scholars,	1 64
E. G. Emery making fires and sweeping,	.35 00
" " labor in and around the house,	9 50
G. L. Fisher, books for desk,	7 77
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
C. T. Fenno, sweeping,	2 57
Mrs. Butler, cleaning,	4 50
John Butler, cleaning,	1 25
E. H. R. Ruggles, teachers desk,	25 00
Henry Cunningham, curtains and fixtures,	20 00
J. H. Burt & Co., black board,	3 00
Nathaniel Withington, repairing furniture,	12 50
C. P. Tolman, tin work and stock,	16 12
George Haynes & Son, tin work and stock,	2 30
Charles Tucker, iron work	70
J. W. Hart, sawing wood & whitewashing fence,	12 00
George Brown, preparing wood & furnishing kindlings,	4 00
William Clark, labor on house,	14 23
" " preparing wood,	7 75
J. H. Burt & Co., carpenter work and stock,	165 74
Joseph Marshall, 2d., mason work and stock,	31 87
E. Preston, wood and coal,	55 72
Charles Tucker, wood,	5 00
George Chapman, "	3 00

	\$1,980 82

WASHINGTON SCHOOL.—*Walnut Street.*

Paid P. Brooks Merritt, for teaching,	\$ 916 67
Fanny R. Blake, " "	291 66
Mary O. Larkin, " "	291 67
Ann E. Crane " "	291 66
P. B. Merritt, books for indigent scholars,	8 32
" " " and stationery,	5 15
F. R. Blake " "	1 50
A. E. Crane, " "	33
Howland & Harding, ink and books,	2 17
" " book for indigent scholar,	55
" " brushes, brooms and oil,	5 70
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
Jonathan Jones, care of house,	76 00
" " extra work at exhibition,	5 00
" " preparing wood,	1 87
E. N. Darling, care of house,	55 00
T. W. Capen, cleaning clock,	1 00
Gordon & Bailey, painting black boards and glazing	3 00
Otis Baird, repairing pump, funnel, &c.,	20 12
H. W. Blanchard, labor, pump and pipe,	12 80
Wm. G. Shattuck, teachers desks,	23 00
Joseph Marshall, 2d., plastering cellar,	76 32
Luther Spear, Jr., labor on heating apparatus,	15 00
Thomas Pierce, labor and elm trees,	26 50
Johnson & Eaton, lightning rods,	50 00
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	6 .00
Preston & Flinn, wood,	3 50
Edward Preston, wood and coal,	152 88
Moses Pond & Co., ventilators, soap stones, and iron casings, [bill of 1855,]	21 77

	\$ 2,369 64

BUTLER SCHOOL—*River Street.*

Paid Maria Crane, for teaching,	\$ 75 00
Hannah C. Robinson, for teaching,	185 41
Elizabeth H. Page, " "	32 29
Maria Crane, ink,	20
" " sweeping,	2 50

Amount carried forward,	\$ 295 40

	Amount brought forward,	\$295 40
H. C. Robinson, books for desk,		85
" " " " indigent children,		1 45
" " making fires and sweeping,		3 29
F. Hollinger, " "		12 67
Catharine Gates, sweeping,		96
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,		4 50
Charles P. Tolman, repairing furnace and stock,		13 00
" " coal hod and pipe,		4 38
J. H. Burt & Co., carpenter work and stock,		9 51
Wm. Marshall, Jr., whitewashing and coloring,		6 00
Joseph Marshall, 2d., mason work and stock,		16 25
Edward Preston, coal and wood,		26 95
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		\$395 21

MAVERICK SCHOOL—Commercial Street.

Paid Mercy T. Snow, for teaching,	\$235 41
Charlotte W. Towne, for teaching,	237 41
A. M. Gilbert. " "	54 16
A. B. Hyde, " "	43 75
M. T. Snow, books and stationery for desk,	1 88
" " for indigent scholar,	42
" " cleaning and sweeping,	11 25
C. W. Towne, books for desk,	97
Hickling, Swan & Brewer, Lippincott's Gazetteer,	4 50
J. B. Rogers, making fires,	15 00
" " repairs,	6 18
Howland & Harding, pails, brush and broom,	1 13
Thomas W. Capen, repairing clock,	3 00
Gordon & Bailey, painting black board,	1 50
J. B. Graham, " "	2 50
Ebenezer Foster, carpenter work,	2 00
Charles P. Tolman, cleaning and repairing furnace,	3 25
Johnson & Eaton, Lightning rods,	27 04
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	6 00
Preston & Flinn, wood,	3 50
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	82 00
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	\$742 85

BOWDOIN SCHOOL—*Mount Bowdoin.*

Paid Eliza F. Clary, for teaching,	\$210 42
Jane E. Wate, " "	81 25
" " " books for desk,	95
" " " " indigent scholars,	3 23
E. F. Clary, " and stationery,	1 67
" " care of house and making fires,	10 66
A. & J. H. Upham, brooms,	56
J. H. Upham & Brother, hooks,	12
Thomas W. Capen, clock,	11 00
Ralph Ware, glazing,	1 87
Doe, Hazleton & Co., sink,	5 50
Charles P. Tolman, labor on furnace and stock,	11 25
" " " iron pipe,	6 25
Thomas Gurrie, preparing wood,	3 62
Connaughton & Quigley, cleaning vault,	4 00
E. F. Clary, paid for charcoal,	1 13
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	26 95
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	\$380 43

GENERAL SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid I. S. Smith, for examining schools,	\$64 00
S. G. Bulfinch, " "	37 00
T. T. Munger, " "	10 00
B. W. Barrows, " "	18 00
" " services as secretary for S. C.,	68 75
" " postage, bearing letters and stationery,	8 99
I. S. Smith, expenses to Portland and Lowell, by direction of S. C.,	14 46
S. G. Bulfinch, expenses to Portland and Lowell,	16 25
" " preparing report,	12 00
" " extra servicies, examining appli- cants for admission to High School, &c.,	8 00
S. G. Bulfinch, carriage hire,	3 25
David Clapp, printing rules and regulations of S. C.	45 55
" " " S. Committe's report,	48 88
Orin P. Bacon, " blank certificates,	5 00
Worthington, Flanders & Guild, printing,	1 50
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Amount carried forward	\$361 63

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 361 63
Paid John Robie, distributing S. C. Report,	15 00	
Assessors', taking census of children,	25 00	
Oliver Hall, repairing book case for S. Committee,	1 25	
T. W. Capen, care of Town Hall, " "	4 50	
Nathan Holbrook, meals and horse keeping, for Committee,	20 00	
Timothy Gay, his proportion of School money in 1855 and 1856,	18 94	
Edmund Pope, his proportion of School money in 1855 and 1856,	37 88	

		\$ 484 20

RECAPITULATION.

SCHOOLS.	Salaries.	Fuel.	Sta. for Desks.	Books fr indi. sch	Incidentals	TOTAL.
High School,.....	2,028 32	112 85	80 23	2 00	1,315 50	3,538 90
Everett "	1,764 88	195 75	29 07		444 80	2,434 50
Mather "	2,083 34	191 75	12 05	28 00	1,402 29	3,717 43
Adams "	1,508 84	87 48	13 80	2 54	285 73	1,898 39
Gibson "	1,791 64	264 91	20 25	2 97	262 80	2,342 57
Winthrop "	2,432 56	201 73	12 15	1 66	689 94	3,238 04
Norfolk "	1,499 99	93 72	17 44	1 64	368 03	1,980 82
Washington School	1,791 66	156 38	13 65	8 87	399 08	2,369 64
Butler "	292 70	26 95	5 55	1 45	68 56	395 21
Maverick "	570 72	85 50	7 35	42	78 85	742 85
Bowdoin "	291 67	28 08	2 62	3 23	54 83	380 43
General School Expenses						484 20
	16,056 33	1,445 10	214 16	52 78	5,370 41	23,622 98

Total amount of expenditures, \$ 23,622 98

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By appropriation,	\$ 22,000 00
income of Gibson School Fund,	481 74
" " Stoughton " "	249 90
" " State " "	338 00
C. P. Tolman, for old iron from Maverick School House,	4 00

	23,073 64
Expended over appro'n and income,	549 34

	\$ 23,622 98

GIBSON SCHOOL BUILDING.

Paid J. H. Burt & Co., for balance due for building house,	\$ 4,888 46
G. J. F. Bryant, for plans, and Jones, Carpenter & Co., for ventilators,	209 80
Preston & Flinn, for bricks,	49 30
Pierce & Marshall, mason work,	92 00
P. Kelley, putting up centre piece,	32 00
G. L. Stearns, lead pipe,	12 50
Wm. Lawler, block letters and numbers,	20 48
R. Gleason & Son, iron fence and labor,	33 35
" " " pump and pipe,	15 07
" " paid for cleaning building,	3 63
Catharine Glynn, cleaning building,	14 45
Ebenezer Eaton, selling old school house,	15 00
J. D. Carroll, for trees,	55 50
J. O. Hovey, "	11 00
Charles Regan, " and grass seed,	16 50
" " labor of men and teams, in yard,	211 29
Richard Wall, " " "	370 25
Thomas Tremlett, gravel and loam,	53 00
Eben Tolman, surveying gravel in yard,	2 75
Chilson, Gould & Co., for furnaces,	691 52
E. H. R.Ruggles, desks, settees and chairs,	973 75

\$ 7,771 60
Expended in 1856, 7,408 48

\$ 15,180 08
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By appropriation in 1856,	10,000 00
" " 1857,	3,000 00
proceeds of sale of old school house,	2,005 00

\$ 15,005 00
Expended over appropriation, 175 08

\$ 15,180 08

POOR IN THE ALMS HOUSE.

Paid Elisha Ford and wife, for services one year,	\$ 450 00
Benjamin Cushing, for professional services,	49 50
C. S. Davis & Co., for flour and groceries,	60 18
A. & J. H. Upham " " " "	25 74
J. H. Upham & Brother, flour and groceries,	210 68
Benton & Caverly, Butter and cheese,	156 31
J. W. Carter & Brother, butter and cheese,	202 09
John Preston & Sons, chocolate and shells,	48 52
Kelton & Bird, meat and vegetables,	209 29
J. H. & A. Sumner, meat,	81 08
J. Mc Donald fish,	28 50
Barzillai Paine, mackerel,	8 80
James Shepard, bread,	23 61
J. K. Stone, meal and grain,	323 87
E. E. Glover, domestic goods,	17 67
W. & A. Bacon, " "	117 44
W. F. Pope, clothing,	12 00
S. W. Leonard, boots and shoes,	14 80
Elisha Ford, provisions and sundries,	222 75
" " clothing,	48 96
" " pigs,	17 08
" " labor,	45 08
" " stove,	6 50
" " watchers for O. Jordan & N. Hill,	5 62
F. J. Shaw, ice,	9 00
Charles Hunt, soap,	10 80
E. W. Robinson, cabbage plants,	2 50
E. H. R. Ruggles, bedsteads, &c.,	9 00
C. J. Sumner, grate, stove and repairs,	30 00
" " tin ware, &c.,	15 48
William Davenport, attending funeral of O. Jordan,	5 00
E. A. Smith, " " " N. Hill,	3 50
E. H. R. Ruggles, coffin for Mr. Hill,	6 00
E. H. Brainard, repairing covered wagon,	21 00
George A. Houghton, for horse,	135 00
Ira Foster, rakes, forks, &c.,	4 11
Ebenezer Eaton, cash to inmates,	4 75
" " cultivator and hammer,	2 54
" " hay,	9 49
Amount carried forward,	\$ 2,654 24

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,654 24
Paid C. A. Upham, wheelwright work,	19 74	
O. Davenport & Co., iron work,	55 78	
J. Turner, harness work,	7 15	
Enoch Fenno, use of cross-cut saw,	2 00	
Abijah Cotton, pump,	20 00	
Jacob Foster, carpenter work,	2 47	
Asa Davenport, " " and stock,	63 55	
William Pope & Co., lumber,	17 99	
J. P. Clapp, "	52 11	
C. F. Preston, lumber and lime,	3 47	
Briggs & Robinson, paint and oil,	22 79	
Thomas Payson, men and team,	27 75	
Michael Quigley, labor,	36 12	
Michael Feeley, "	70 00	
Michael Dolan, "	32 38	
Preston & Flinn, wood and coal,	34 25	
Edward Preston, " " "	76 64	

Unexpended,

3,198 43

395 55

\$ 3,593 98

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By appropriation,	\$ 3,000 00
Mr. Bach, for pasturing, &c.,	12 30
E. Joy, milk,	23 53
H. Shepard, milk,	11 86
A. Davenport, milk,	80
E. Eaton, milk, pickles, &c.,	5 46
Cash for pasturing cows,	28 75
hay, and weighing,	93 33
pears,	73 75
milk,	7 40
cabbages,	3 10
fresh pork,	2 20
salt grass,	25 00
lock-up,	50
fagots,	12 27
meat block,	4 50
old stove,	4 00
ploughing, and use of plough,	1 87

Amount carried forward, \$ 3,310 62

	Amount brought forward	\$ 3,310 62
By cash for old iron,		8 14
M. Quigley, for sundries,		9 46
E. Ford, distributing laws and notices for Town meeting,	60 00	
labor on Tenean Bridge,	47 25	
" " fences sides of streets,	20 00	
labor of men, and carting,	5 12	
carting lumber for fences, bridges and culverts on streets,	6 25	
" gravel for sidewalks in streets,	16 00	
men shovelling snow,	3 25	
A. E. Belknap, for board of M. Hartford, in 1856 and 1857,	106 39	
F. Nichols, carting coal,	1 50	
		\$ 3,593 98

POOR OUT OF THE ALMS HOUSE.

Paid Ebenezer Eaton, for cash to sundry persons,	\$ 9 95
E. H. R. Ruggles, " " " "	103 50
John P. Spooner, professional services, and supplies,	19 40
R. F. Tolman, goods delivered sundry persons,	27 00
D. R. Read, " " " "	10 02
Ira Foster, " " " "	13 75
R. Gleason & Sons, goods delivered sundry persons,	56 32
J. H. Upham, " " " "	49 00
Mrs. Young, board and nurse for Mrs. Holmes,	33 00
City of Boston, support of sundry persons,	50 45
City of Charlestown, support of sundry persons,	6 00
Town of Warwick, " " " "	27 00
Town of Wrentham, " " " "	39 00
E. Ford, fare of sundry persons to State Alms- House,	8 05
William Manning, attending funeral of a child,	5 00
Preston & Flinn, wood & coal for sundry persons	49 50
Edward Preston, " " " "	59 63
C. F. Preston, " " " "	49 38
Macomber & Purinton, wood & coal "	72 22
Enoch Fenno, wood,	3 50
Amount carried forward,	\$ 691 67

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 691 67
Paid J. E. Adams, wood and coal,		11 75
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		703 42
	Unexpended,	310 65
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		\$ 1,014 07

CR.

By appropriation,	900 00
Cash of the City of Boston,	23 50
“ “ Town of Medford,	70 57
State pauper account,	20 00
	—
	\$ 1,014 07

LUNATICS AT ASYLUM.

Paid expenses of Marshall Floyd, Edward A. Capen, and Elizabeth Bronsdon, at the Asylum, Taun- ton, to June 1, 1857.	\$ 482 15
Unexpended,	143 34
	—
	\$ 625 49

CR.

By appropriation,	\$ 400 00
Received of the Heirs of Marshall Floyd,	82 10
“ W. B. Bronsdon for board	
of his wife,	143 39
	—
	\$ 625 49

REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Paid Ebenezer Wales, for labor of men and teams,	\$ 1,874 41
Enoch Fenno, one cart,	67 00
C. A. Upham, repairs on carts,	4 00
O. Davenport & Co., iron work,	65 94
J. Turner, repairing harnesses,	2 76
S. Percival, labor and paint,	8 25
Ira Foster, powder, fuse, nails, &c.,	64 17
C. J. Sumner, powder can,	63
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Amount carried forward,	\$ 2,087 16

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,087 16
Paid Jonathan Whorf, basket, etc.,		73
Thomas Baldwin, shovels,	4 00	
Blake & Barnard, "	6 00	
J. H. Upham & Brother, shovels, hoes, etc.,	11 40	
Ebenezer Wales, stone chips,	112 48	
" " bridge stone,	10 00	
Henry Humphrey, gravel and chips,	19 00	
Thomas Tremlett, "	12 50	
Matthew O'Reiley, "	5 00	
Ebenezer Wales, men and teams, labor on Dorchester Avenue,	120 72	
		—
		\$ 2,388 99

DISTRICT No. 2.

Paid Joseph Pillsbury, for labor of men and teams,	\$ 2,110 30
Enoch Fenno, one cart,	67 00
E. B. Bennette, axletree and roll for halliards,	5 00
S. R. Savil, repairing carts and pick handles,	3 29
J. C. Robinson, blacksmith work,	48 94
J. Turner, repairing harnesses,	2 76
C. F. Preston, boards,	2 16
Blake & Barnard, shovels,	6 00
Thomas Tremlett, gravel,	75 20
Holbrook & Houghton, labor of horses in 1854,	60 00
Joseph Pillsbury, labor of men and teams on Dorchester Avenue.	197 37
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	\$ 2,578 02

DISTRICT No. 3.

Paid Jonathan Harod, for labor of men and teams,	\$ 2,726 20
Enoch Fenno, one cart,	67 00
" " stone drag,	5 00
" " wheelwright work,	3 50
Gates & Weeman, " "	2 35
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Amount carried forward	\$ 2,804 05

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 2,804 05
Henry Crane, blacksmith work,		38 23
S. W. Haley, " "		50 30
J. Turner, repairing harnesses,		2 77
E. W. Robinson, men and team,		20 00
J. Littlefield, " " "		18 00
Patrick Campbell, drilling,		12 00
Ira Foster, powder,		2 15
Gore, Rose & Co., paving,		52 59
" " " curb stones		37 16
E. H. R. Ruggles, use of cart,		30 25
" " lock,		1 00
Blake & Barnard, for shovels,		6 00
S. J. Capen, gravel and stones,		108 50
A. D. Capen, "		18 12
W. & T. Liversidge, gravel and stones,		26 20
William Floyd, "		19 20
Jonathan Harod, labor of men and teams on Dor-		
chester Avenue,		332 44
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	Whole amount expended,	\$ 3,578 96
	Unexpended,	<hr/>
		8,545 97
		33 75
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		\$ 8,579 72

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By appropriation,	\$ 8500 00
cash of Horse Railroad, for gravel,	50 00
O. B. Brigham, for stones,	3 00
C. Smith, stone and gravel,	3 00
E. B. Bennette, loam,	2 00
Cash of sundry persons for gravel,	21 72
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	\$ 8,579 72

MOVING SNOW IN ROADS.

Paid Ebenezer Wales, for labor of men,	\$ 43 75
Jonathan Harod, " "	200 00
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Amount carried forward,	\$ 243 75

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 243 75
Lewis F. Pierce, for labor of men,		31 50
Thomas Payson, " " and teams,		64 50
E. W. Robinson, " " "		43 50
Preston & Flinn, " " "		73 91
E. H. R. Ruggles, " " "		8 50
David Haggerston, " " "		15 50
Elihu Greenwood, " " "		88 00
William Wellington, " " "		16 00
J. Edwards, " " "		23 25
G. C. Millett, for labor,		3 13
M. Quigley, "		75
J. W. Hatch, "		1 90
Alnis-House establishment, for labor,		3 25
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		\$617 44
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By appropriation,		600 00
Exceeds appropriation,		17 44
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		\$617 44

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ENGINE No. 1.

Paid Engine Co. for services up to May 1st, 1857,	\$ 100 00
" " " " by the hour,	249 50
Lorenzo Gurney, services as steward,	50 00
H. Durell, refreshments,	24 08
R. F. Tolman, "	3 77
" " oil,	1 75
Charles Tileston, repairs and fluid,	4 85
G. Haynes & Son, lanterns,	4 50
" " " stock and labor on engine,	3 08
Shelton & Cheever, repairing hose,	5 40
George Baynton, machinist work,	15 50
J. A. Tucker, repairs,	10 17
Thomas Strangman, repairs,	4 00
H. S. Needham,	6 00
Lewis Bowman,	2 75
D. H. Gilbert, " and stock,	15 74
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Amount carried forward,	\$ 501 09

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 501 09
William Wendemuth, repairs and stock,	2 62	
William Tucker, " " "	2 00	
E. H. R. Ruggles, rollers,	88	
E. W. Knight, iron work,	60 57	
H. Crane, " "	14 08	
J. C. Robinson, " "	5 00	
E. Breck, painting engine,	50 00	
William Spargo, repairing door,	1 75	
J. & A. Pope, carpenter work,	23 81	
Samuel Tileston, painting,	23 29	
Lorenzo Gurney, repairs and shoveling snow from reservoir,	3 00	
William White, printing by-laws for Fountain Fire Association,	12 50	
Stacy's Express, carting,	1 50	
Fiske & Crane, horses to draw engine to fires and use of horse and chaise,	55 00	
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	7 00	

		\$ 764 09

ENGINE No. 2.

Paid Engine Co. for services up to May 1st, 1857,	100 00	
" " " " by the hour,	199 85	
Wm. A. Webster, services as steward,	12 50	
" " stuffing, milk, &c.,	6 23	
N. H. Bird, services as steward,	29 18	
L. H. Bird, account book,	50	
Jonathan Whorf, refreshments,	14 97	
" " oil, fluid and candles,	15 04	
Isaac Field, refreshments,	13 62	
C. J. Sumner, stoves and pipe, and repairs,	27 24	
" " copper boiler,	12 00	
" " sinks,	6 50	
" " spoons, lamps, cans, &c.,	32 73	
R. Gleason & Son, side lamps,	6 75	
G. Haynes & Son, lanterns,	6 75	
S. T. White, mahogany table,	15 00	
Shelton & Cheever, badges,	11 36	

Amount carried forward,	\$ 510 22	

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 510 22
Paid Shelton & Cheever, repairs and screws,	8 25	
E. C. Fruean, "	1 80	
Thomas R. Cooper, painting sign, and figuring lanterns,	9 25	
C. H. Dewey, for glazing,	2 50	
L. H. Collyer, labor and stock,	19 37	
C. A. Upham, wheel jack,	2 50	
E. Dodge, removing remains of old house,	1 00	
Hartford Davenport, use of horse,	1 00	
N. H. Bird, hose rope,	37	
Macomber & Purinton, coal and bark,	8 50	
Lyceum Hall Co., rent of a room,	7 00	
Oliver Hall, storage of engine and apparatus,	5 00	

		\$ 576 76

ENGINE No. 3.

Paid Engine Co. for services up to May 1st, 1857,	\$ 100 00
" " " " " by the hour,	198 75
M. H. Warren, services as steward,	62 50
" " extra work,	1 00
R. Gleason & Son, refreshments, oil and fluid,	10 36
" " " re-gilding and repairs,	7 75
William Withington, oil,	2 83
Thomas Baldwin, brooms, fluid and oil,	6 55
Royce's Express, neats foot oil,	3 25
G. Haynes & Son, lanterns,	6 75
T. R. Cooper, figuring lanterns,	1 00
Shelton & Cheever, hose and repairs,	104 88
Hunneman & Co., painting and repairs,	177 47
F. Ockershausen, double spanner,	2 25
J. C. Robinson, iron work,	5 00
S. W. Haley, " "	19 53
Joseph Marshall, 2d., mason work and stock,	7 13
J. C. Rich, painting inside of house,	12 50
S. J. Willis, removing snow,	1 00
Royce's Express, carting,	3 50
S. Gleason, "	3 00
J. C. Hewins, "	1 00
E. Dodge, "	6 13

	\$ 744 13

ENGINE No. 4.

Paid Engine Co. for services up to May 1st, 1857,	\$ 100 00
" " " " by the hour,	259 25
Peter Cook, services as steward,	25 00
Nathaniel Withington,	37 50
" " " preparing wood,	87
Cox & Taverner, refreshments,	11 92
" " " pails, oil, fluid, &c.,	33 48
Thomas Russell, crackers,	6 50
G. L. Fisher, hemp, lead and axe handle,	2 15
I. W. Hart, closets and oil cans,	3 00
" " labor,	5 00
Peter Cook, packing cylinders,	1 00
Shelton & Cheever, badges,	3 00
" " " repairing hose,	3 17
James Hersey, repairs,	12 02
Wm. G. Swan, carting,	2 00
Enoch Fenno, repairs on house,	10 25
I. C. Robinson, iron work,	5 00
I. W. Hart, carting, and use of horse to draw engine to fires,	5 00
Edward Preston, coal and wood,	5 25

	\$ 531 36

ENGINE No. 5.

Paid Engine Co., for services up to May 1, 1857,	\$ 100 00
" " " " by the hour,	204 50
Isaac Fish, services as steward,	12 50
G. G. Dennison, "	37 50
Howland & Harding, refreshments, fluid and oil,	10 85
E. A. G. Roulstone, hose caps,	21 00
Shelton & Cheever, new hose,	194 75
" " copper suction,	35 00
" " repairs and stock,	70 96
" " badges,	2 40
Charles Hunt, neats foot oil,	9 00
J. C. Robinson, iron work,	1 00
William G. Swan, new pole and repairs,	33 50
" " whitewashing and plastering,	3 50
Joseph Marshall, 2d, mason work and stock,	7 12

Amount carried forward,	\$ 743 58

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 743 58
Paid S. E. Pratt, water privilege,	3 00	
B. F. Hebard, use of horse,	2 00	
Johnson's Express, carting,	2 00	
E. N. Darling, "	1 60	
Edward Preston, wood and coal,	13 75	

		\$ 765 93

ENGINE No. 6.

Paid Engine Company, for services up to May 1, 1857,	\$ 100 00
Theodore Hersey, services as steward,	62 50
Alfred Clapp, for refreshments,	1 87
A. & J. H. Upham, sperm oil,	2 85
C. J. Sumner, stove and pipe,	11 75
J. H. Upham, & Brother, lamps, fluid and oil,	13 05
Shelton & Cheever, repairs,	5 66
Hunneman & Co., "	2 50
J. P. Silsby, labor and lead pipe,	16 73
George Ford, wheelwright work,	2 50
J. H. Bird, glazing,	67
John Field, Jr., repairs on house,	87
A. C. Clapp, " "	21 18
E. H. Brainard, labor on runners,	3 00
Oliver Davenport, iron work,	12 11
H. & R. Rich, relaying wall under house,	7 50
Theodore Hersey, housing coal,	75
Royce's Express, carting,	6 00
Hartford Davenport, use of horse,	2 75

	\$ 274 24

HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

Paid company for services, by the hour,	\$ 89 03
R. Harrison, services as steward,	10 00
William White, printing by-laws,	7 45
Walter Preston, record book,	1 25
G. G. Dennison, painting signs,	9 00

Amount carried forward,	\$ 116 73

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 116 73
Paid Shelton & Cheever, for badges,		11 30
" " repairs		6 00
John A. Tucker,	"	6 09
J. C. Robinson,	"	2 25
William G. Swan, repairs and painting,		25 25
" " new poles and rope,		12 50
Gordon & Bailey, painting carriage, &c.		17 25
G. Haynes & Son, lanterns,		5 00
Hunneman & Co. axes with picks,		6 50
J. T. Murphy, repairing and oiling harness,		15 75
Daniel Spear,		1 50
G. A. Spear, splicing ropes,		50
H. Crane, iron work,		20 94
Abel Hocking, labor and stock on house,		1 75
Fiske & Crane, use of horses,		28 00
Cox's Express, carting,		63

		\$ 277 94

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid S. H. Hebard, services as chief engineer,		\$ 100 00
E. C. Fruean, " assistant "		25 00
S. J. Willis, " " "		25 00
I. W. Hart, " " "		25 00
W. G. Swan, " " "		25 00
Alfred Clapp, " " "		25 00
David Clapp, printing rules and regulations, etc.		12 63
T. W. Capen, police at Newhall's fire,		1 00
W. G. Swan, fitting shoes, chains, etc., on the several engines,		5 00
Fulton Iron Foundry, spanners, shoes, etc.		76 03
G. Haynes & Son, one lantern,		4 00
Torrent Six of Roxbury, for refreshments,		12 50
Torrent Engine Co. refreshm'ts for 2 Roxbury Co's.		14 00
Protector " Milton & Quincy "		14 00
W. O. Churchill, refresh'ts for Wash'n H. & L. Co.		7 50
Hannah Pierce, rent land 2 years Engine No. 5,		40 00
Henry Clark, " 1 year " " 3,		25 00

		\$ 436 66

RECAPITULATION.

Engine No. 1	\$ 764 09
" " 2	576 76
" " 3	744 13
" " 4	531 36
" " 5	765 93
" " 6	274 24
Hook and Ladder Company,	277 94
General expenses of Fire Department,	436 66
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	\$ 4,371 11
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By Appropriation,	\$ 3,500 00
Expended over appropriation,	871 11
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	\$ 4,371 11

ENGINE HOUSE, ENGINE AND APPARATUS, FOR COMPANY No. 2.

Paid Samuel H. Drew, for building house,	\$ 1,050 00
Henry L. Nichols, plans and specifications,	15 00
Jacob Davis, mason work and stock,	7 00
Patrick Collins, cellar wall and stone work,	100 00
Jonathan Collyer, labor on cellar,	22 75
Thomas Farrety, " "	17 25
Andrew Coyle, " "	26 62
Michael Quigley, blasting rocks,	106 50
John Kelley, " "	19 25
Jonathan Whorf, powder and fuse,	19 50
Ira Foster, " "	7 98
John Haggerty, sharpening drills and picks,	14 26
C. A. Upham, repairing wheelbarrow,	1 50
C. F. Preston, cement, lime and sand,	7 49
Thomas Payson, drawing stone,	6 00
John Keating, for gravel,	14 40
Hunneman & Co. engine, hose, carriage and ap.,	1,089 00
Shelton & Cheever, hose, etc.	314 43
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	\$ 2,838 93

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By appropriation,	\$ 2,500 00
Hunneman & Co. iron, etc. from old house,	67 98
J. P. Silsby, old iron,	4 00
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	2,571 98
Expended over appropriation,	266 95
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	\$ 2,838 93

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Eben'r Eaton, for services as selectman, overseer of the poor, and surveyor of highways,	\$ 250 00
E. H. R. Ruggles, " " "	250 00
Lewis F. Pierce, " " "	250 00
Eben Tolman, services as clerk for selectmen, and assisting to prepare report,	150 00
" " as Town Clerk,	150 00
Oliver Hall, extra services as assessor in 1856,	16 00
William Tolman ex. " " "	16 00
Robert Vose, " " " "	16 00
Harvey Howe, " " " "	16 00
S. H. Hebard " " " "	16 00
William Withington, services as collector,	400 00
" " " as treas'r 1 yr. 1½ m.,	125 00
Oliver Hall, for services as assessor in 1857,	125 00
William Tolman, " " " "	125 00
Robert Vose, " " " "	125 00
Harvey Howe, " " " "	125 00
Sylvester H. Hebard, " " " "	125 00
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Unexpended,	2,280 00
	220 00
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	\$ 2,500 00
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By appropriation,	\$ 2,500 00

CEMETERIES.

NORTH CEMETERY.

Paid John B. Rogers, for runners for hearse,	33 00
" " pair shafts,	5 50
T. R. Cooper, repairing and painting hearse,	12 00
William Davenport, labor,	110 25
Hezekiah Park, "	3 50
John Kelley, labor and stock, repairing wall,	22 00
	—
	\$ 186 25

SOUTH CEMETERY.

Paid John A. Tucker, for repairing harness,	\$ 3 00
S. Jenkins, resetting gate posts,	4 00
Samuel Littlefield, carting gravel into Cemetery,	23 50
Daniel Talbot, labor,	56 76
Henry S. Needham, labor,	1 50

	\$ 88 76
Amount, North Cemetery, bro't. forward,	186 25

	\$275 01
Unexpended,	24 99

	\$300 00
CR.	
By appropriation,	\$300 00

INSTALLMENTS AND INTEREST ON NOTES.

Paid Provident Institution for Savings, in Boston, (part of principal,)	\$5,000 00
Provident Institution for Savings, interest,	2,250 00
Dorchester Savings Bank, part of principal,	1,000 00
" " " for interest,	203 17
Dedham " " part of principal,	1,000 00
Dedham " " for interest,	406 50
R. G. Living, Trustee, " "	120 00
Robert Vose, " "	120 00
Lusanna Tucker, " "	60 00
A. C. Talbot, " "	60 00
C. P. Ripley, " "	27 00
J. H. Burt, & Co., " "	90 00
Edward Whiting's note and interest,	2,086 84
Blue Hill Bank, " "	3,938 00
Mattapan Bank, " "	3,938 00

	\$20,299 51
C R.	
By appropriation,	\$12,000 00
Exceeds appropriation,	8,299 51

	\$20,299 51

INTEREST ON MONEY BORROWED IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES.

Paid Blue Hill Bank, interest,	\$ 969 50
Mattapan, " "	969 50
Ebenezer Clap, "	10 00
	—————
	\$ 1,949 00
C R .	
By appropriation,	\$ 1,800 00
Expended over,	149 00
	—————
	\$ 1,949 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid William Withington, on tax of 1855,	\$ 147 72
" " " " 1856,	278 58
William Tolman, " " 1857,	1,350 40
	—————
	\$ 1,776 70
By appropriation,	\$ 1,500 00
Expended over,	276 70
	—————
	\$ 1,776 70

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid M. Tenney, Jr., Treasurer, State Tax,	\$ 9,855 00
C. C. Churchill, Treasurer, County Tax,	7,639 86
	—————
	\$ 17,494 86
C R .	
By appropriation,	\$ 17,464 13
cash of the Town of Quincy, for State and County tax on estates set off from Dor- chester to Quincy.	30 73
	—————
	\$ 17,494 86

SAFES FOR CLERK AND TREASURER.

Paid John E. Wilder, for new safe, for Clerk,	\$ 250 00
" " " " " Treasurer,	125 00
Daniel Talbot, labor and lumber blocking up safe for Clerk,	2 00

Unexpended,	\$ 377 00
	3 00

	\$ 380 00
C R .	
By appropriation,	\$ 250 00
old safe of Town Clerk,	125 00
" " Treasurer,	5 00

	\$ 380 00

POLICE AND WATCHMEN.

Paid John E. Jones, for services as night watch,	\$ 365 00
Wilson Stanley,	365 00
William G. Seavy,	365 00
Seth Crane,	365 00
John Robie,	360 00
S. H. Willis,	120 00
T. W. Capen,	245 00
S. H. Hebard,	5 00
John Keen,	23 00
William Moulton, services as police,	6 00
B. F. Hebard,	16 50
S. Crane,	21 00
J. E. Jones,	22 00
T. W. Capen,	9 00
F. E. Ruggles,	5 00
W. F. Porter,	5 00
J. Robie,	3 00
William G. Seavy,	1 00

Unexpended,	\$ 2,301 50
	98 50

	\$ 2,400 00

C R .

By appropriation, \$ 2,400 00

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid Eben Tolman, for obtaining statistics of births, and recording births, marriages and deaths,	\$ 64 45
Eben Tolman, transmitting copies of marriages to different towns, in compliance with the law of 1857,	35 10
Wm. Davenport, returning statistics of deaths,	7 70
E. C. Wilder, " " " "	2 20
E. A. Smith, " " " "	4 10
S. H. Hebard, notifying and attending Town Meetings, and notifying Town Officers,	41 50
Wm. Davenport, ringing bell for Town Meetings,	2 25
E. C. Wilder " " "	1 00
J. G. Torrey, printing warrants, voting and jury lists, &c.,	87 40
J. G. Torrey, printing annual report,	155 44
Thomas Groom & Co., books and paper for Treasurer,	10 00
Thomas Groom & Co., books and paper for Sur- veyor of Highways,	2 50
C. C. P. Moody, printing for Assessors,	24 00
Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., blank books and stationery for Assessors,	35 49
Ebenezer Clapp, Jr., binding old valuation books,	3 00
C. O. Rogers, advertising for proposals to build a bridge at Fairmount,	4 13
H. O. Hildreth, printing petition for leave to sell wood land,	5 00
Oliver Hall, collecting and copying stocks for Assessors,	20 00
Oliver Hall, preparing valuation manuscripts for binding,	15 00
Oliver Hall, expenses to Dedham, " " recording deed, postage and check books,	5 00 4 25
Oliver Hall, repairing table at Town Hall,	4 00
Peter Blake, dinners for Town Officers at Town Meetings,	27 50
Peter Blake, dinners and luncheons for Assessors,	198 00
T. W. Capen, care of hall and attendance on Assessors,	33 00
T. W. Capen, care of hall and attendance at Town Meetings,	22 75
Amount carried forward,	\$ 814 76

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 814 76
Paid Asaph Churchill, professional services in actions Vinal against Town, Johnson against Town, and other services,		312 50
B. F. Copeland, fees for referees, in case L. P. Haskell against the Town,	30 00	
Wm. Withington, rent of office two years, " " cash paid for liquor, and services as liquor agent,	50 00	
E. H. R. Ruggles, ballot boxes,	101 47	
E. W. Robinson, removing safe for Treasurer,	3 00	
E. Ford, distributing reports and notices for Town Meeting,	2 00	
E. Tolman, looking up the title to wood land at Dedham,		60 00
E. Tolman, writing deeds and bonds, and going to Judge of Probate,		2 00
E. Tolman, surveying land and gravel,	5 00	
E. Ford, recording deed,		14 37
J. H. Cobb, " bond,		50
Snow & Rider, flag,		1 00
Asa Davenport, fixing flag staff,		33 00
O. Davenport & Co., iron work on flag staff,		2 00
E. C. Fruean, painting " " "		4 50
Sumners & Swift, halliard line,		15 92
Samuel Tileston, painting Town Hall,		4 00
J. Marshall, whitewashing and coloring walls of Town Hall,		30 00
T. J. Hazen, paint and oil for Town Hall,		16 00
C. P. Tolman, stove pipe and repairs on stove at Town Hall,		15 00
T. W. Capen, cleaning, and curtains for Hall, " " use of screws at Alms-House,		25 20
Town of Quincy, for taxes,		8 97
Hannah Pierce, damages digging in front of her estate, in 1855,		1 25
S. H. Hebard, food for a man in the lock-up,		7 38
James O. Reiley, ditching salt marsh,		10 00
Zebedee Cook, land corner of Crescent Avenue,		30
George Newhall, land for widening Cottage street,		98 28
James G. Cassell, land to widen Cottage street,		101 40
Wm. Pope & Co., lumber for bridges, and culverts in streets,		49 20
		60 00
		48 18
Amount carried forward		<hr/> \$ 1,927 18

	Amount brought forward	\$ 1,927 18
Paid Alms-House Establishment, labor on fences side of streets,	20 00	
Alms-House Establishment, carting lumber for fences, bridges and culverts, on streets,	6 25	
Alms-House Establishment, labor of men and carting,	5 12	
Alms-House Establishment, carting gravel on side walks,	16 00	
Maurice Shehan, stones for culverts,	112 80	
D. G. Corliss, edge stones,	95 12	
Matthew O'Riley, stones,	12 00	
Asa Davenport, making culverts,	9 80	
Hartford Davenport, labor on fence at Crescent Avenue,	11 85	
Hugh McGuire, laying wall at A. H. lot,	114 00	
E. V. Munroe, iron work,	3 25	
Thomas Payson, drawing stone for bank wall,	14 00	
E. W. Robinson, labor on new road from Lower Mills to Norfolk street,	12 75	
Samuel Cook, half the expense repairing Dorchester and Milton bridges,	4 65	
C. F. Preston, lumber for Tenean bridge,	495 03	
L. Pratt & Co., " "	26 50	
A. T. Stearns, " "	169 39	
Asa Davenport, carpenter work on Tenean bridge,	156 56	
James Holmes, labor on	"	18 75
Thomas Long, "	"	21 25
Wm. S. Cohoon, "	"	5 47
Joseph Pillsbury, labor of men and teams on Tenean bridge,	135 60	
Macomber & Purinton, use of scow at Tenean bridge,	10 00	
Phillips & Moseley, spikes for Tenean bridge,	4 25	
Alms-House Establishment, labor of men on Tenean bridge,	47 25	
G. W. Currier, building the Town's half of bridge at Hyde Park,	703 50	
Thomas Campbell, building road from Hyde Park bridge to River street,	589 56	
E. W. Robinson, men and teams, labor on Dorchester Avenue,	136 50	
Thomas Campbell, drilling, and building wall for Dorchester Avenue,	16 86	
Amount carried forward	\$ 4,901 24	

	Amount brought forward,	\$ 4,901 24
Paid Joseph Littlefield, men and team, labor on Dorchester Avenue,	35 00	
Patrick Campbell, labor on Dorchester Avenue,	17 25	
Cornelius Deasy, carting gravel from Alms-House lot, to Dorchester Avenue,	804 97	
John Sargent, filling gravel on sides of Dorchester Avenue,	136 00	

Unexpended,	\$ 5,894 46	

	176 65	

	\$ 6,071 11	
CR.		

By appropriation,	\$ 6,000 00
cash of C. P. Tolman, for rent of land,	8 00
" William Withington, balance of liquor,	57 11
" Macomber & Purinton, old timber of Tenean bridge,	6 00

	\$ 6,071 11

**NEW STREET FROM UPPER MILLS TO
WEST ROXBURY..**

Paid Richard Wall, towards building street,	\$ 2,400 00
Unexpended,	2,600 00

	\$ 5,000 00

CR.

By a special appropriation, raised by a loan, \$ 5,000 00

DEBT OF THE TOWN.

Treasurer's Note to Dedham Savings Institution,	\$ 1,000 00
" " Dorchester, " " " " " 2,000 00	
" " " " " " " " " 1,000 00	
" " Robert G. Living, [Trustee,] " " " " 2,000 00	
" " Dorchester M. F. I. Company, " " " " 2,000 00	

	\$ 8,000 00

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Treasurer's Note to Lusanna Tucker,	\$ 1,000 00
“ “ John Talbot,	1,000 00
“ “ Robert Vose,	1,000 00
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	\$ 3,000 00

BUILDING NEW SCHOOL HOUSES, LAND, &c.

Treasurer's Note to Prov. Institution, Boston,	\$ 8,000	00
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	"	"
"	Dedham Savings Institution,	4,900
"	Dorchester "	2,000
"	Robert Vose,	1,000
"	Charles P. Ripley,	450
"	John H. Burt & Co.,	3,000

		\$ 45,350

Whole amount,		\$ 56,350

INVENTORY OF SCHOOL FUND.

GIBSON SCHOOL FUND.

Lyman Willard's Note and mortgage,	\$	503	00
Charles Hunt's	"	428	12
Theodore L. Howe's	"	342	00
" "	"	213	75
Alexander Pope's	"	1,660	43
George A. Houghton's	"	474	00
Henry Jenkins'	"	464	31
John Dolan's	"	501	92
John Keen's	"	604	88
Judah M. Bellows'	"	2,000	00
Peter Blake's	"	1,000	00
United States Loan of 1842,		3,000	00
		\$	11,192 41

STOUGHTON SCHOOL FUND.

23 shares State Bank Stock, par value	\$ 60,	\$ 1,380 00
7 shares Tremont Bank Stock, par value	100,	700 00
4 shares Blue Hill Bank Stock, par value	100,	400 00
4 shares Western R. Road Stock, par value	100,	400 00
Donald Ferguson's note and mortgage,		440 00

		\$ 3,320 00
Whole amount,		_____
		\$ 14,512 41

TOWN PROPERTY.

John A. Haven's note and mortgage,	\$ 257 20
Benjamin F. Glover's note,	100 00

	\$ 357 20

AMOUNT DUE FOR TAXES.

William Withington, for Tax, 1856,	\$ 979 20
William Tolman, " " 1857,	18,415 90
Cash in the Treasury,	2,052 14

	\$ 21,447 24
Notes to be paid from the Tax,	13,000 00

	\$ 8,447 24

The following table showing the *number of Polls*, the *Valuation of Estates*, *Amount of Tax Assessed*, and the *Rate per \$1,000* for the last *Thirty* years, is hereby furnished by the Assessors.

YEAR.	NO. POLLs.	VALUATION.	AMOUNT OF TAX.	RATE PER \$ 1,000
1828	841	\$ 1,390,979 30	\$ 8,178 96	\$ 5 88
1829	1,009	1,406,471 34	7,848 11	5 58
1830	902	1,143,016 66	8,812 67	8 84
1831	852	1,281,233 33	9,005 10	6 60
1832	876	1,251,700 00	8,051 72	5 28
1833	917	1,353,466 66	9,420 89	5 88
1834	952	1,391,115 10	9,443 15	5 76
1835	992	1,481,767 00	10,063 41	5 76
1836	1,023	1,520,933 33	10,921 93	6 12
1837	1,075	1,559,814 00	11,722 72	6 48
1838	1,046	1,637,466 00	13,122 76	7 08
1839	1,020	1,858,800 00	13,114 64	6 24
1840	1,095	1,857,100 00	12,767 60	6 00
1841	1,151	1,799,233 33	13,239 24	6 36
1842	1,154	1,876,683 00	13,441 29	6 24
1843	1,068	2,201,500 00	11,783 18	5 04
1844	1,266	2,300,700 00	14,735 62	5 58
1845	1,346	2,531,166 66	17,287 02	6 03
1846	1,474	2,833,000 00	18,117 76	5 58
1847	1,553	3,236,866 66	20,977 16	5 76
1848	1,684	3,994,600 00	28,889 85	6 60
1849	1,797	4,594,420 00	33,842 07	6 78
1850	1,982	7,199,800 00	36,090 00	4 60
1851	2,044	7,660,850 00	39,074 71	4 70
1852	2,034	8,315,500 00	44,628 50	5 00
1853	2,227	8,997,800 00	45,705 63	4 70
1854	2,344	10,182,400 00	53,409 76	4 90
1855	2,339	11,321,700 00	58,872 84	5 20
1856	2,119	10,666,200 00	73,575 42	6 60
1857	2,279	10,883,000 00	87,915 90	7 80

NOTE.—Up to 1849, Taxes were assessed on a *Reduced valuation*—since which on a *Cash value*.

Dr. OLIVER HALL, Town Treasurer, in Account Current

To Balance in the Treasury, February 1, 1857	\$6,069 91
Cash received for school account,	4 00
" " Gibson School Fund,	481 74
" " Stoughton " "	249 90
" " State " "	338 00
	_____ 1,073 64
" " " Loan for Gibson School Building, .	3,000 00
" " " proceeds of sale of Gibson School-	
House and land,	2,005 00
	_____ 5,005 00
" " " board of pauper, sales of pro-	
duce and other articles at Alms	
House,	593 98
" " of Commonwealth and Towns,	
for pauper account,	114 07
" " of individuals, for support of Luna-	
ties in Asylum,	225 49
	_____ 933 54
" " " for Highway Account,	79 72
" " " remains of old Engine, No. 2, ...	71 98
" " " Town Clerk and Treasurer's old	
safes,	130 00
" " " of Town of Quincy, for State and	
County Tax,	30 73
" " " of John Barnard, for land,	50 74
" " " for account of Incidental Expenses, ..	71 11
	_____ 121 85
" " " loan for New road from Upper	
Mills, to West Roxbury,	5,000 00
" " " of Henry Grew, for sale of land, .	842 06
" " " for Tax of 1856, in part,	7,650 28
" " " " 1857, in "	69,500 00
" " " of Blue Hill Bank, in anticipation	
of Tax,	6,371 75
" " " of Mattapan Bank, in anticipation	
of Tax,	6,371 75

	\$109,252 21

from Feb. 1, 1857, to Feb. 1, 1858, with the TOWNS OF DORCHESTER, Cr.

By cash paid for Salaries of School Teachers,	16,056 33	
" " " Fuel for Schools,	1,445 10	
" " " Stationery for Teachers' Desks, ..	214 16	
" " " Books for Indigent Scholars,	52 78	
" " " Incidental expenses of Schools, ..	5,370 41	
" " " General School Expenses,	484 20	
		—————
" " " Gibson School Building,		\$23,622 98
" " " Support of Poor in Alms House, ..	3,198 43	7,771 60
" " " " out of Alms House,	703 42	
" " " " Lunatics at Asylum,..	482 15	
		—————
" " " Repairs of Highways,	8,545 97	4,384 00
" " " Removing Snow in Roads,	617 44	
		—————
" " " Fire Department,		9,163 41
" " " Engine House, Engine and apparatus for No. 2,		4,371 11
" " " Town Officers,		2,838 93
" " " Cemeteries,		2,280 00
" " " Installments and Interest on Notes,		275 01
" " " Interest on money borrowed, in anticipation of Taxes,.....		20,299 51
" " " Abatement of Taxes,		1,949 00
" " " State Tax,		1,776 70
" " " County Tax,		9,855 00
" " " Safe, for Town Clerk,		7,639 86
" " " " Treasurer,		252 00
" " " Police and Watchmen,		125 00
" " " Incidental Expenses,		2,301 50
" " " New Street, from Upper Mills to West Roxbury,		5,894 46
		—————
Balance in the Treasury,		2,400 00
		—————
		107,200 07
		2,052 14
		—————
		\$ 109,252 21

OLIVER HALL, *Town Treasurer.*

DORCHESTER, FEB. 11, 1858.

The subscribers having examined the Treasurer's Accounts, hereby certify the same to have been correctly kept.

His receipts for the year ending January 31st, 1858, were \$109,252 21, and his payments duly vouch'd for, by orders drawn by the Selectmen, were \$107,200 07

Balance in the Treasury, Feb. 1, 1858, was \$ 2,052 14, as appears in the foregoing account.

ELEAZER J. BISPHAM,
ROBERT VOSE,
CHARLES A. WOOD. } *Auditors.*

**PERSONAL PROPERTY BELONGING TO
THE TOWN.**

In charge of the Superintendent of the Alms-House.

15 feather beds, 14 straw beds, 18 cotton comforters, 4 pair blankets, [colored,] 3 pair milled blankets, 1 pair home made flannel blankets, 9 pair large sheets, 7 pair small sheets, 3 pair striped sheets, 17 cotton bed quilts, 5 woolen bed quilts, 17 pair pillow cases, 36 yards cotton sheeting, 41 yards striped sheeting, 10 bedsteads, 4 cribs, 6 stoves.

2 barrels salt pork, 4 legs ham, 2 shoulders ham, 2 barrels soft soap, 2 boxes hard soap; 5½ cords oak, 3 cords pine, and 10 cords spruce wood.

2 horses, 2 cows, 2 swine, 8 tons English hay, $\frac{3}{4}$ ton salt hay and rowing, 5 cords manure, 1 light covered wagon and harness, 1 horse hay wagon, 1 pair wagon wheels, 1 horse cart and harness, 1 leading harness, 1 tool chest, 2 sleds, 1 pung, 1 wheelbarrow, 3 large and 3 small chains, 13 shovels, 4 iron bars, 7 picks, 1 churn drill, 2 sledges, 2 stone hammers, 4 hoes, 2 iron rakes, 2 spades, 2 manure forks, 2 grind stones, 1 harrow, 3 plows; 2 ladders, 1 hay cutter, 1 cultivator, 1 axe, 1 hatchet, 1 bill hook, 2 saws, 1 cart rope, 3 rakes, 5 pitchforks, 2 scythes and 3 snaths.

In charge of Surveyors of Highways.

7 horse carts, 7 harnesses, 9 picks, 9 shovels, 10 old shovels, 3 iron bars, 1 pair long runners, 2 pair short runners, 1 hoe, 1 pair leading chains, 1 draft chain, 2 water buckets, 1 tool box, 3 hammers, 2 stone hammers, 1 churn drill, 1 stone drag, 1 rut machine, 1 stone roller, and 1 pair halliards.

In charge of Undertakers.

2 hearses and harnesses, and 2 set runners.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1857.

Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Surveyors of Highways—Ebenezer Eaton, Edward H. R. Ruggles, and Lewis F. Pierce.

Assessors—Oliver Hall, William Tolman, Robert Vose, Harvey Howe, and Sylvester H. Hebard.

Town Clerk—Eben Tolman.

Town Treasurer—Oliver Hall.

Collector—William Tolman.

Representatives—E. H. R. Ruggles, and Geo M. Browne.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER, TO THE SELECTMEN OF
DORCHESTER.

GENTLEMEN: I herewith present the Ninth Annual Report of the condition of the Fire Department of this Town, with an account of the fires and alarms, the year ending January 31, 1858; also the amount of loss and insurance as far as has been ascertained, and also the amount of expenditures under the direction of the Board of Engineers for the support of the Fire Department.

The department is organized as follows:

SYLVESTER H. HEBARD, *Chief Engineer.*

ALFRED CLAPP, WILLIAM G. SWAN, GEORGE L. FISHER, EDMUND C. FRUEAN, and CYRUS SAVAGE, *Assistant Engineers.*

There are now seven Companies, in commission, viz: FOUNTAIN Co. No. 1.—Dean M. Swift, *Foreman*; John Preston, *Assistant Foreman*; Thomas F. Temple, *Clerk*; Lorenzo Gurney, *Steward*.

PROTECTOR Co. No. 2.—Samuel F. White, *Foreman*; Oliver Glover, 2d, *Ass't Foreman*; L. H. Collyer, *Clerk*; Nath'l Bird, *Steward*.

TORRENT Co. No. 3.—Henry Forbes, *Foreman*; G. M. Blake, *Ass't Foreman*; N. W. Garland, *Clerk*; M. H. Warren, *Steward*.

ALERT Co. No. 4.—Isaac Williams, *Foreman*; George F. Fenno, *Ass't Foreman*; Benjamin F. Willey, *Clerk*; Nath'l Withington, *Steward*.

INDEPENDENCE Co. No. 5.—G. A. Spear, *Foreman*; N. W. Holt, *Ass't Foreman*; E. W. Harding, *Clerk*; G. W. Dennison, *Steward*.

TIGER Co. No. 6.—John E. Jones, *Foreman*; J. H. Upham, *Ass't Foreman*; Daniel W. Baker, *Clerk*; Theodore Hersey, *Steward*.

MATTAPAN HOOK AND LADDER Co.—Henry Crane, *Foreman*; Leonard Everett, Jr., *Ass't Foreman*; Walter Preston, *Clerk*; Albert S. Packard, *Steward*.

The department has been called out 36 times the past year, by alarms of fire; 13 times by fires in this town, 16 times by fires out of this town, and 7 times by false alarms for various causes.

The members of the Fire Department, have since May last, been paid for their services, twenty-five cents per hour,

each, for the time occupied in attending at fires and alarms; with the exception of Engine Co. No. 6, which has been under the management of a volunteer company, who have taken charge of the same without compensation, except the payment of the steward. That company certainly deserves the thanks of the town. It is the opinion of the Chief Engineer, that the payment of a certain sum per year to each member of the Department, is far preferable to the present system of payment.

Owing to the fact, that from the appropriation made by the town for the support of this Department for the present year, it has been necessary to pay for the services of the members for the last past year, as well as for the present year, the expenditures have somewhat exceeded the appropriation.

There has been a considerable amount expended in furnishing apparatus and fixtures for the New Engine, No. 2, and the house for the Company, not provided for in the special appropriation made by the Town for the purchase of the Engine, and building the house.

A Company has been formed the past year, to take charge of, and manage the Hook and Ladder Carriage, with the Apparatus, and will be of great benefit to the department. The several Engines and other Apparatus, with the Engine Houses, are in good condition.

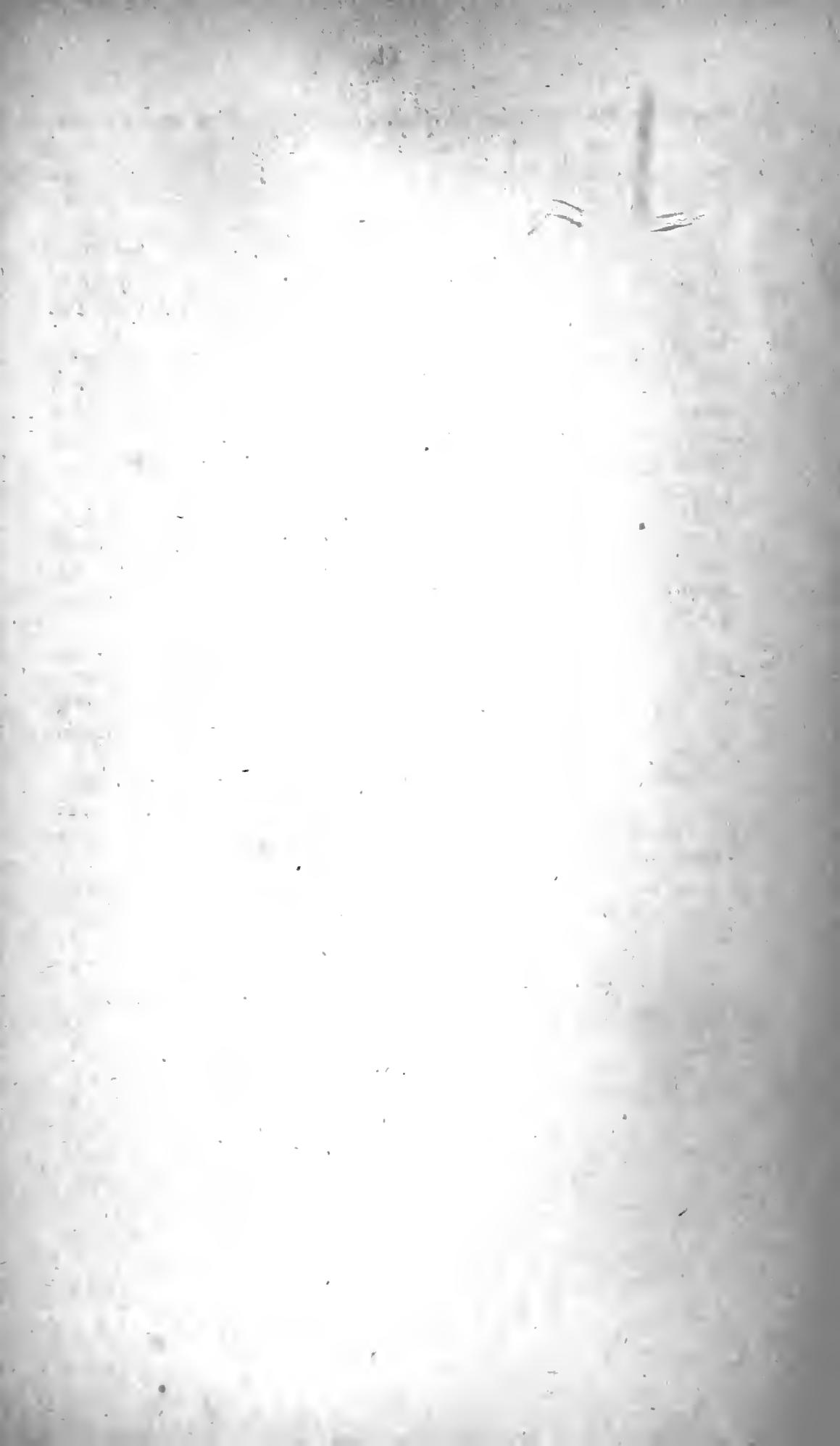
The amount of expenditures under the direction of the Board of Engineers, for Repairs, Hose, Fixtures, &c., has been \$2,282 73. Total expenditures on account of Fire department the past year, have been \$4,371 11.

Annexed is a Table of the Fires and Alarms, from February 1, 1857 to February 1, 1858.

Respectfully, Yours,

SYLVESTER H. HEBARD, Chief Engineer.

Dorchester, Feb. 1, 1858.



A Table of the Fires and Alarms, from February 1, 1857, to February 1, 1858.

1857	O'Clock.	LOCATION, &c.	Owner or Occupant.	Loss.	Insurance.	CAUSES, &c.	
						Accidental	Incendiary
March	30 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	A. M.	Dwelling House, Ashmont street	\$ 20,000	\$ 8,500	Accidental	
April	17 12 $\frac{1}{4}$	A. M.	Barn, Washington street	300	300	Incendiary	
"	28 7	P. M.	Rosin Oil Works, Roxbury	300	300	Accidental	
May	8 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Burning shavings, Fairmount	.....	.....	Mischief	
"	13 8	P. M.	False alarm, West Roxbury	.....	.....	Unknown	
"	22 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Norfolk School House	200	200	Incendiary	
June	4 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Alarm, Cedar street	.....	.....	Accidental	
"	12 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	A. M.	Bake House, Norfolk street	.....	.....	"
"	12 12	M.	Rekindling of above	.....	.....	"
"	25 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Planing Mill, Neponset	.....	.....	"
July	13 6	P. M.	False alarm, Milton	.....	.....	Unknown	
Sept.	10 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Store House, "	.....	.....	"
"	12 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Barn, Braintree	.....	.....	"
"	13 3	A. M.	East street, Roxbury	.....	.....	"
"	15 10	P. M.	West Roxbury	.....	.....	"
"	16 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	A. M.	Rekindling fire, 10th inst.	.....	.....	Accidental	
October	2 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Paper Mill, Milton	.....	.....	Incendiary	
"	3 1	A. M.	Barn on Milton Hill	.....	.....	"
"	5 7	P. M.	False alarm	.....	.....	Unknown	
"	7 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	P. M.	Brush, West Roxbury	.....	.....	"
"	9 7	P. M.	Barn on the Crehore estate	.....	.....	Incendiary	
"	10 8	P. M.	Barn, Washington street	100	100	"	

Table of the Fires and Alarms from February 1, 1857 to February 1, 1858—continued.

1857	O'clock.	LOCATION, &c.		Owner or Occupant.	Loss.	Insurance.	CAUSES, &c.
		10 P.M.	Fire in Newton “ Dedham				
October	10 10	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.	Barn on Centre street	Aaron Nixon	\$ 200	\$ 200	Unknown Incendiary
“	11 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	P.M.	Rekindling of the above	...	...	...	“
“	12 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	P.M.	False alarm, Cambridge	...	...	...	Accidental
“	13 1	A. M.	False alarm	...	...	...	Unknown
“	19 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	P.M.	False alarm	...	...	...	“
“	29 9	P.M.	Barn at Harrison square	C. B. Pierce	1,500	1,000	Incendiary
Nov.	1 6	A. M.	Tar barrels at Port Norfolk	...	...	...	Unknown
“	4 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	P.M.	False alarm	...	...	...	“
“	12 11	P.M.	Barn in Milton	Rove heirs	...	...	“
“	13 7	P.M.	Brush, Turnpike street	...	...	...	“
“	28 3 $\frac{1}{4}$	P.M.	Barn in Brighton	Charles White	300	...	“
Dec.	6 6	P.M.	Barn on River street	Hyde Park Co.	1,500	...	Incendiary
“	21 12 $\frac{1}{2}$	P.M.	Barn on River street	...	...	...	“
“	25 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	P.M.	...	...	...	...	“

SYLVESTER H. HEBARD, *Chief Engineer.*

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1857.

BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING THE YEAR.

Males, 136.....Females, 149.....Whole number, 285.

There were five pairs of twins.

NATIVITY OF PARENTS.

	Fathers.	Mothers.
Dorchester,	20	24
United States,	106	111
British Provinces,	11	7
England,	13	11
Scotland,	6	10
Ireland,	114	113
Germany,	10	7
West Indies,	1	0
Wales,	1	0
Sicily,	1	0
Not stated,	2	2
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INTENTIONS OF MARRIAGE—1857.

MALES.		BIRTHPLACE OF FEMALES.							
Birthplace.	Total	Dorches- ter.	United States	Briti'h Prov.	Ire- land.	Ger- many.	Eng- land.	Scot- land.	Portu- gal.
Dorchester	9	1	7				1		
U. States	22	4	16	1			1		
British Pr.	2	1					1		
Ireland	36			1	34				1
England	4				2		1	1	
Germany	2					2			
Scotland	3		1		1		1		
Total	78	6	24	2	37	2	5	1	1

MARRIAGES—1857.

MALES.		BIRTHPLACE OF FEMALES.			
Birthplace.	Total.	Dorchester.	United States.	England.	Scotland.
Dorchester	3		2	1	
U. States	20	4	16		
British Pro.	1		1		
England	1			1	
Scotland	2		1		1
Total	27	4	20	2	1

DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1857.

Whole No. Deaths, 153..... Males, 80,..... Females, 73.
(Stillborn, 6.)

Date of Death	NAMES.	AGE.			Place of Birth.	Disease or cause of Death.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days		
Jan.	John Gately			7	Dorchester	Infantile
	Emily Lincoln Wales	4	4	22	"	Scarlet Fever
	Mary Greenwood	18	9	17	Brighton	Consumption
	Benjamin Baker	71		11	Dorchester	Accidental
	Andrew Black	47	7	16	Ireland	Consumption
	Timothy Toomey		6	14	Dorchester	Hooping Cough
	Oliver Jordan	81	9	21		Debility
	Elizabeth Covell	74	6		Salem	Cancer
	William A. Lemon	1	5		Dorchester	Brain Fever
	James W. Worsley	37			Boston	Consumption
Feb.	Isaac Bird	68	6		"	General Debility
	Margaret Collins			10	Dorchester	Infantile
	John Landers	33			Ireland	Bruises in an affray
	Jonathan Wheeler	66	11		Vermont	Apoplexy
	Sarah Halligan	38			Ireland	Consumption
March	Nabby W. Phillips	72			Keene, N. H.	Lung Fever
	Lottie Ednah Dodge		2	7	Dorchester	Canker
	William Worthington	72	7	10	Colechester, Ct.	Aneurism
	James Cantly			1	Dorchester	Infantile
	Elizabeth Cantly	22			Ireland	Scarlet Fever
	Catharine Kelly	2	3	18	Dorchester	Hooping Cough
	Mary Cantly	30			Ireland	Child Birth
	Lydia M. Starratt	32	2		Nantucket	Consumption
April	William C. Spaulding	41			Newburyport	"
	Nathaniel Hill	58			Canton	"
	Charles Bates Pierce	50	4	24	Dorchester	Typhoid Fever
	George D. Jordan	23	10	7	Boston	Consumption
	Dolly Nye	72			Portsmouth, N. H.	Paralysis
	L. Jane Baynum	28	11	12	Dexter, Me.	Congestion of Stomach
	John Dunniken	36			Ireland	Consumption
	John D. Noonan			7	Dorchester	Infantile
	Frances Nason	74			Walpole	Pleurisy
	Ezra G. Beal				Dorchester	Croup
May	Margaret McGlone	3	11	6	"	Scarlet Fever
	John Holden	86	6	10	"	Old Age
	Caroline E. Temple	2	4		Worcester	Teething
	Catharine Dailey	27			Ireland	Bleeding of the Lungs
	Isaac H. Parker	20	4	17	Boston	Consumption
	William H. Bird	19		11	Dorchester	"
	Mary Bussey	69			"	Debility
	Frederick Howe			24	"	Infautile
	Ann Bradish Dorr	48	9		Boston	Consumption
	Edward Donnelly	2	3		Dorchester	Teething
	John Taylor	66	5		Prince Edwards Is.	Consumption
June	Willie O'Donnell	1	9	18	Dorchester	Dropsy on the Brain
	Mary Emma Barry	1	1	6	"	Hooping-Cough
	Martha E. Dalton	3	9	8	"	Scarlet Fever
	Joseph Michael Barry	1	3	20	"	Serofula
	Michael Birmingham				"	Canker
	Bernard Gaynard 2nd				"	Diarrhea
	Abby Ewell	45	8		Roxbury	Dropsy
	Mary Hoyt	71		14	Dorchester	"
	Clarissa Dorr	66	1	17	"	Schirrhous
	Mary Elizabeth Warren	1	1	29	Newton	Scarletina
July	Elizabeth Glover	29	4	6	Dorchester	Heart Complaint
	Hattie A. Roundy	16			Marblehead	Typhoid Fever
	Albert E. Stetson	32	2	3	Braintree	"
	Henry Hutchinson	1		27	Dorchester	Scarlet Fever
	Edward Jenkins	81	6	26	Seituate	Apoplexy
	Bernard Gaynard	35			Ireland	Sun Stroke
	John King	32			"	Consumption
	George Ware	1	5	7	Dorchester	Dropsy on the Brain
	Mary E. Cushman				"	Eryseptilas
	Mary Grauer	18	3		Germany	Typhoid Fever
	Rachel Blake	81	6	27	Milton	Consumption
Aug.	Clarissa H. Kendrick	28	7	21	Dorchester	Typhoid Fever
	Louisa Jane Davenport	20	7		"	Miasma
	Jeremiah Connelly				"	Infantile
	Catharine Connaughton	4	5		"	Scarlet Fever
	Elizabeth Barton	71			Boston	Dropsy
	George E. Baker				Dorchester	Cholera Infantum
	Edward McGovern	2	3		"	Scarlet Fever
	Dennis Riley	19	7		Ireland	Consumption
	Philip Hollinger	19	3	9	Germany	Accidental

Date of Death.	NAMES.	AGE.			Place of Birth.	Disease or cause of Death.
		Y. rs	Mos.	Dys.		
Aug. 15	Anna Louisa Hobart	31	10	2	Boston	Chronic Diarrhea
15	Hannah Donahoe		8		Dorchester	Teething
16	Mary Olive Ewell	1	2	18	"	Dropsy on the Brain
22	John Costain	23	4	26	England	Consumption
24	Samuel B. Henly	47	7	1	Dorchester	Dropsy
27	Emma Tucker	1			"	Disease of the Brain
Sept. 4	Willie L. Senter	1	1	16	"	Dropsy on the Brain
5	Jacob Merriam	30	3	19	Boston	Consumption
7	Nancy Hill	50			Frankport, Me.	Cancer
8	Susan Cornelia King	42	1	23	Portsmouth, N. H.	Consumption
9	Emery H. Duffield	2	6		Dorchester	Cholera Infantum
10	Martha J. Griffin	1	2	8	Concord	" "
10	Daniel Anderson	80	8		Scotland	Old Age
10	George W. Garland	2	2	7	Dorchester	Cholera Infantum
10	James Riley	2	7		"	Lung Fever
11	Ja's G. N. G. Thompson	38			"	" "
13	Maria Percival	64	1	4	Trenton, N. J.	Congestion of the Lungs
15	Charles W. Haley	1	1		Dorchester	Cholera Infantum
17	Martha D. Bent	35	4	12	Boston	Consumption
17	William Sheridan	1	1	16	Dorchester	Dropsy on the Brain
17	William H. Pool	1	3	3	"	Congestion of the Brain
18	Lewis H. Rich	7	6		Boston	Croup
18	John Shaughensey		1	17	Dorchester	Convulsions
20	Edmund T. Sivret	1		7	"	Cholera Infantum
21	Clara G. Greenleaf			1	"	Infantile
22	Joanna Wall	61			Ireland	Old Age
25	Elnathan P. Hathaway	4			Minnesota	Cholera Infantum
25	Harriet E. Loring	4			Dorchester	" "
27	James Gallagher			10	"	Infantile
27	Henry Coughlin				"	Convulsions
29	Ann Maria Preston	28	8		Boston	Consumption
29	Arthur C. Sumner	1			Dorchester	"
30	Mary Gilligan	3			"	Dysentery
Oct. 1	Mary J. W. Taylor		8	7	"	Cholera Infantum
3	Henry W. Young		3		"	Dropsy
3	Edward Gavnard	1	8	24	"	Debility
4	Frank T. Ross	9	6		Brunswick, Me.	Consumption
7	Hannah K. Sloan	44			Orleans	Tumor
8	Elizabeth A. Foster	41	9	22	Dorchester	Serofula
10	John W. Munroe	77	4	3	"	Paralysis
10	Bela Greenwood	22	7		Brighton	Consumption
22	Emily R. Atwood	23	6		Dorchester	"
22	Kenneth W. Ferguson		8	23	"	Inflammation of Bladder
26	Henry G. Holbrook	3		24	Roxbury	Old Age
26	Rachel G. Wothington	68	4	22	Brookline	" "
27	Sally Staples	94			North Berwick, Me.	Cholera Infantum
27	Frank P. Billings		4	10	Dorchester	Convulsions
28	William Reed	3	1	19	East Boston	Paralysis
28	Catharine Tucker	56	10		Salem	Consumption
28	Charlotte A. Wiswell	18	4		Dorchester	Typhoid Fever
30	Lewis Frey	28	9		Germany	Cancer
Nov. 2	Mary Robinson	86	1	10	Dorchester	Debility
3	Emeline Parkinson	44			No. Yarmouth, Me.	Dysentery
8	Mary E. Flavel	1	7	29	Dorchester	Scarlet Fever
9	Ellen L. Baker	4	7	25	Charlestown	Hooping Cough
10	Janet Crawford		11		Boston	Heart Complaint
11	Bridget Gaynard	25			Ireland	Lung Fever
13	Levi Knox	60	6		Labanon, Me.	Convulsions
14	Joseph Howe	79	7	13	Dorchester	Infantile
17	Fanny Williams			22	"	Consumption
17	Nesler Palmer			2	"	"
19	Alfred Tileston	44		8	"	Typhoid Fever
19	Harriet Pierce	43	11	17	"	Consumption
19	Olive P. Fairfield	21	2	14	Kennebunkport, Me.	Pneumonia
21	Joseph B. Heard	40	1	27	Boston	Hooping Cough
25	Estella C. Moulton		2	28	Dorchester	Dropsy
25	Joseph Frost	74	4	21	Ashburnham	"
27	Sarah Stetson	69		23	Braintree	Typhoid Fever
Dec. 2	Ellen Kelly	27			Ireland	Consumption
8	Henry O. Farwell		9	23	Dorchester	Inflammation of Bowels
10	Ann Capewell	75	5		Birmingham, Eng.	Accidental
10	Mary J. Sawyer	23	9	14	Chelmsford	Consumption
10	Benjamin C. Atwood		4		Dorchester	"
18	Bridget Wall		1	19	"	Infantile
18	Francis Tipping			25	"	"
21	Joseph Homer	56	8			Dysentery
23	Ellen M. Walker	21	9		Boston	Consumption
25	Charles A. Pray	17	3	5	"	Typhoid Fever
29	Lucy M. Spear	33	3		Quincy	Child Birth

THEIR DISEASES WERE :—

Accidental,	3	Debility,	5	Infantile,	10
Aneurism,	1	Diarrhea,	1	Inflammation of Bladder, 1	1
Apoplexy,	2	Dysentery,	3	Marasmus,	1
Bruises, in an affray,..	1	Disease of the Brain,	8	Old Age,	5
Cancer,	3	" " " Bowels,	1	Paralysis,	3
Canker,	2	" " " Heart,	2	Pleurisy,	1
Cholera Infantum, ...	10	" " " Lungs,	3	Pneumonia,	1
Child Birth,	2	Dropsy,	6	Scrofula,	2
Consumption,	34	Erysipelas,	1	Schirrhous,	1
Convulsions,	4	Fever, Lung,	4	Sun stroke,	1
Congestion of Stomach	1	" Scarlet,	9	Teething,	3
Chronic Diarrhea,....	1	" Typhoid,	9	Tumor,	1
Croup,	2	Hooping Cough,	5		
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THE AGES OF THE DECEASED WERE :—

Under 1 year,	33	20 to 30 years .	18	80 to 90 years..	16
1 to 2 years.	17	30 to 40 "	15	90 to 100 "	1
2 to 5 "	14	40 to 50 "	12		
5 to 10 "	2	50 to 60 "	5		
10 to 15 "	0	60 to 70 "	10		
15 to 20 "	8	70 to 80 "	12		
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THE DEATHS WERE IN THE MONTH OF

January	10	April	10	July	11	October	18
February	5	May	11	August	15	November	17
March	8	June	10	Sept.	27	December	11
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THE PLACES OF THEIR NATIVITY WERE :—

Dorchester.....	77	Scotland	1
Other Towns in the United States.	56	Ireland.....	13
British Provinces.....	1	Germany	3
England	2		
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SELECTMEN'S OFFICE,
Dorchester, February, 1858. }

To Persons having Claims against the Town:

It is expected that bills presented for the action of the Selectmen, should specify what the article or articles sold were for ; when for labor, where it was performed, number of days, and price per day, unless otherwise agreed upon ; and when for different appropriations, separate bills for each, with proper dates, &c ; when for Schools to be approved by one of the School Committee ; and when for the Fire Department, approved by the Chief Engineer.

The Selectmen will be in session, at their office, on Wednesday of each week, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

And all persons having claims, are requested to call promptly for their pay.

EBENEZER EATON,
E. H. R. RUGGLES, } Selectmen.
LEWIS F. PIERCE. }



